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Governor Declares May 7 School Nurse Day

BISMARCK, N.D. – Governor Dalrymple has declared May 7, 2014, as School Nurse Day in North Dakota. The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) encourages all citizens to appreciate the tremendous role that school nurses have in the healthy development of our school children.

According to Becky Bailey, State School Nurse Consultant with the NDDoH, “School nurses add to the education process by keeping kids healthy and ready to learn. They provide a critical role in improving public health in our schools and have done so for more than 100 years.”

Nurses in our schools have a direct, positive impact on the health of students and their families, and will continue to play an important role in schools well into the future.

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Proclamation attached.

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PROCLAMATION
SCHOOL NURSE DAY

May 7, 2014

WHEREAS, children are North Dakota's most valuable resource and will become the future leaders of our communities, businesses and state; and

WHEREAS, by investing in them today, we are helping ensure our world for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their health needs safely met while in the school setting; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, health, academic success and life-long achievements of all students by providing a critical safety net; and

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, families and health care providers on behalf of children's health; and

WHEREAS, school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day.

Now, *THEREFORE*, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 7, 2014, as "School Nurse Day" in the state of North Dakota.

Jack Dalrymple

Governor

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